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SENATE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the State of Illinois learned with regret of the death of the Reverend Dennis J. Young of Godfrey on Monday, December 5, 2005; and

WHEREAS, He was born June 5, 1949, in St. Louis to James A. and Betty (Elz) Young; he married Dr. Vivian Moynihan on June 4, 1988, in Alton; and

WHEREAS, He celebrated 25 years of being a Lutheran minister on November 9, 2005; he attended Concordia University, Concordia Seminary in St. Louis, and Christ Seminary Seminex; he was active on the board of Family Services-Headstart and in the Joint Lutheran Episcopal Bible class; and

WHEREAS, He was the pastor of Resurrection Lutheran Church in Godfrey for almost 20 years; he was very good at grief counseling and was a loving man who would stand up to proclaim his faith; and

WHEREAS, The passing of Reverend Young has been deeply felt by many, especially his wife, Vivian; his mother, Betty; his sisters-in-law; his brothers-in-law; and his nieces and nephews; he was preceded in death by his father and his sister, Denise Camden; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of the Reverend Dennis J. Young, and we extend our sincere condolences to his family, friends, congregation, and community; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to his family as an expression of our deepest sympathy.